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DATE 24-OCT-2003
COMPANY FAIRFIELD GROUP
CITY AND COUNTRY AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS
ATTENTION OF JUDITH TERLIEN
FAX NUMBER [REDACTED]
FROM Rafael Funken
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Remarks: Subscription/Purchase form to follow by Mail. Ref.: Centrum Bank, Liechtenstein.

Dear Sir / Madam,

We would like to

buy/subscribe:

Number of shares:

500.000

(In words see below)

Five hundred SHARES

in: **FAIRFIELD SIGMA LTD SHS B**

ISIN #: VGG3299V1242

We expect **net asset value date 31-OCT-2003** and will pay EUROS for **value 24-OCT-2003**. Please notify us immediately if our order will not be accepted for this net asset value date or if you require payment for a different value date.

The shares should be registered in the name of:

CITCO GLOBAL CUSTODY NV - REF 190500

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